Chapter 4. A Fake Smile and the White Rabbit

IT'S BULLYING.
BULLYING?

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-Mizuoyi-

TOTALLY IGNORED
THAT REMINDS ME, BACK THEN IN THE OLDER DAYS IN WESTERN EUROPE, IN THE TIME OF TRIAL BY ORDEAL, TO A WEAK-WILLED TORTURER, I'VE...
NEKOGAMINE!
Yes, young master Hakuto!
OHH!
IS THAT LIKE TORTURE?
POM
SFX- CHATTERX3
THERE ARE THREE WOLVES... ALL OF THEM ARE 2ND YEAR STUDENTS.
PARENTAGE, RANKS IN CLASS, STUDENT'S RECORDS, ALL KIND OF THINGS ARE INVESTIGATED AND TRANSFERED
NEZU-SAN IS A 1ST YEAR STUDENT, ISN'T HE?
Area C, inside the Gymnasium, camera number 20 to 26
in 30 minutes from now.
YES!
PERFECTLY RECORDING! ♪
HIS NAME IS...
NEZU MIZUIRO

SFX: ZUUU
Seriously injured, isn't he?
I'll send a doctor immediately...
NO,
I'LL GO.
!?
...THANK YOU.
THANKS TO THAT, TODAY ALSO, I DON'T HAVE TO EXPOSE...
SFX: BAM
HEY YOU!
NOW!

IS IT JUST MY IMAGINATION? NO!
PANT
JUST NOW...
YOUR FACIAL EXPRESSION...
SFX: TWITCH
SFX: BAM
AH! HEY...!
SFX: PONX2
AH
I SEE,
JUST NOW, THE MASK WAS A LITTLE DIFFERENT.
HE RAN AWAY...

The Next Day
IT'S A SUDDEN ATTACK!
COME ON! COME ON!
RIGHT! TO THE RIGHT! NO MARK!
SFX: YAY!
NEZU MIZUIRO, 16 YEARS OLD.
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, 1ST YEAR
HE IS ATHLETIC AND HAS GOOD GRADES.
IN THE PREVIOUS WITHIN SCHOOL MOCK EXAM FOR HIS GRADE, HE PLACED 92TH IN TOTAL OF 212 STUDENTS.
THERE ARE NO REPORTS ABOUT HE HAD ANY TROUBLE WITH FRIENDS.
SFX: BANG
GOAAL!

WHEN DOING HIS AFTER SCHOOL CLEANING DUTY
HE FOUND IT WAS TROUBLESOME TO HAVE TO CARRY THE BUCKET OF WATER ALL THE WAY TO DRAIN OFF
SO HE POURED THE DIRTY WATER OUT TO THE PATHWAY OUTSIDE FROM THE WINDOW IN THE HALLWAY.
THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN NEZU MIZUIRO AND THE OTHER THREE IS?
UNTIL THE WEEK BEFORE LAST, THEY HAD NO RELATIONSHIP. BUT A WEEK BEFORE...
SON OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE OX CONSTRUCTION COMPANY,
NO, THE STOCK PRICE IS FINE...
WHOSE STOCK PRICE IS...
AH, LET'S BUY SOME
IT SEEMS THAT THE BOYS WHO BULLIED HIM HAVE IT BAD INSTEAD.
Bullying boys - 3 culprits
THERE'S A RISK THAT OX CONSTRUCTION COMPANY WILL FIND OUT WHAT HAPPENED.
HIS PARENTAGE IS ALSO NOT BAD
HAS HE GOT ANYTHING NOT SUPERIOR BOY STANDARD?

AND CASUALLY THOSE OTHER THREE STUDENTS WERE WALKING BY AT THAT TIME...
IT WAS REALLY UNFORTUNATE
AFTER THAT, HE HAS BEEN SULLIED BY THOSE THREE?
... IS IT SO.
IF IT IS SO THEN THE SOLUTION WILL BE SIMPLE.
SFX: DON
I'LL TAKE CARE OF THAT, WE'LL APOLOGIZE TOGETHER!
EH?
WE'LL LEAVE FIRST
THAT'S WHY I'M ASKING YOU TO LET ME ACCOMPANY YOU PERSONALLY FROM NOW ON TO UNDERSTAND THE APPROXIMATE STRESS LEVEL.

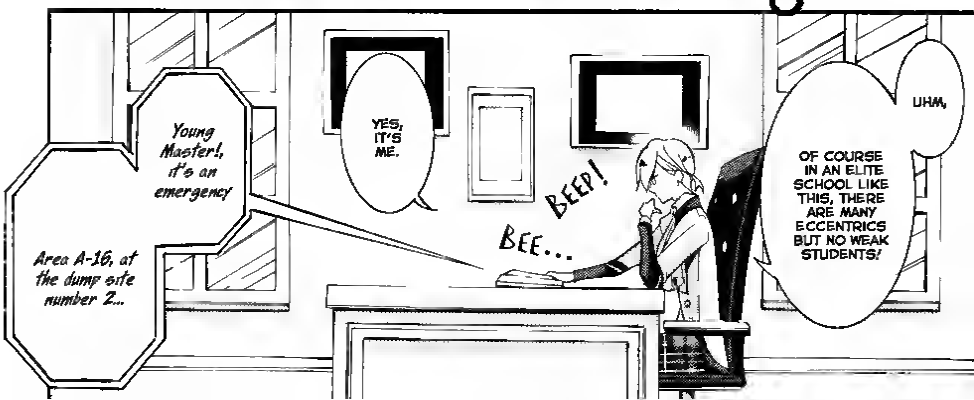
AH...
SO, IF YOU LET THIS GET OUT...
IS IT REALLY NOT OK NOT TO KEEP AN EYE ON ME?
WHAT?
NO, THE TRUTH IS THAT WAS JUST OUR PUNISHMENT GAME.
WE SKIPPED CLASS, BURNT SOMETHING AND RAN AWAY.
NO, PLEASE DON'T DO IT.
AH,
COULD IT BE TO THE OTHER THREE, YOU ALSO ...!?
NO, NOT YET
I WANTED TO DO IT AFTER TALKING TO YOU...
AH, THAT'S GOOD! IF IT IS SO...
FOR THE MATTER EARLIER...
I TAKE THE FULL RESPONSIBILITY MYSELF!!

IT'S ALL BECAUSE I FORCED THOSE THREE TO TAKE PART IN THE GAME I'VE STARTED...
REPRIMAND IS FINE, PHYSICAL PUNISHMENT IS ALSO FINE
THAT'S WHY I'LL TAKE ALL THE PUNISHMENT MYSELF!
I'LL TAKE ANYTHING UNTIL PRESIDENT IS SATISFIED...
NO, I DON'T WANT THAT,
BUT WHEN YOUR HABITUAL NATURE IS NOT THERE, THERE WAS REFLEC-TION...
SHAKE
SHAKE
WOW, REALLY??
SUPER PRESIDENT! YOU'RE SO GENEROUS!
SFX: DING DONG X2
AH
PLEASE, EXCUSE ME
THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR GENEROSITY, PRESIDENT!
BOW

HE'S A GOOD KID, ISN'T HE?
CHEERFUL AND KINDHEARTED...
...WHAT WAS THAT?

Conclusion

THERE IS NO BULLYING!
AT MY SCHOOL...
SFX: SERIOUS!


Young Master!, it's an emergency
Area A-16, at the dump site number 2...
YES, IT'S ME.
BEEP!
BEE...
UHM, OF COURSE IN AN ELITE SCHOOL LIKE THIS, THERE ARE MANY ECCENTRICS BUT NO WEAK STUDENTS!

It's personal punishment!

IS THE PUNISHMENT GAME FUN?
A HA HA
I STILL DON'T KNOW..
KITCHEN GARBAGE IS ON HIS HEAD
NON-COMBUSTIBLE GARBAGE IS THROWN ALL OVER HIS BODY
IT'S COMBUSTIBLE GARBAGE ON HIS BACK

IT'S SHOWY, ISN'T IT?
OUR SCHOOL'S GARBAGE SEPARATION POLICY IS STRICT.
OF COURSE WE'LL PUT THE GARBAGE BACK AS IT WAS...
...IMMEDIATELY?
JUST MAKE IT SIMPLIER FOR ME A LITTLE BIT...

WHICH KIND OF GARBAGE...
ARE YOU?
SFX: Gllll
BUT TO TREAT THAT PEDIGREE PROPER UNIFORM LIGHTLY
IS EXTREMELY UNPLEASANT.
AS FAR AS THE REAL YOU DENY THE ASSAULT I WON'T DO ANYTHING...
SFX: SHOCKED

IT'S OBVIOUSLY THOSE THREE...
IT'S OK... PRESIDENT.
SFX: RUSTLE X3
HIS PERSONALITY CHANGED.
.....
JUST NOW
ASKING SOMETHING STRANGE...
YES?
AH! NO...!
IT'S OKAY
WHY DIDN'T YOU STAND UP?
GIVE ME YOUR HAND

SFX:KIII
DO YOU KNOW THE MYTH ABOUT THIS ACADEMY'S MASK?
...YES
GRAB
ONLY SAYING...
DO YOU THINK IT'S TRUE?
IT'S A FICTITIOUS STORY...
IT'S NOT TYPICAL FOR PRESIDENT TO ASK ABOUT IT.

IT'S "TO HAVE THE PERSONALITY THAT YOU HOPE FOR", RIGHT?
UHM, IF IT'S LIKE THAT...
BUT IF THAT MYTH WAS TRUE, WHAT WOULD YOU THINK ABOUT IT?
I THINK SO, TOO.
SFX: KIII
MOST LIKELY...
I THINK I'LL BECOME A BETTER SOMEONE OTHER THAN A CONSTRAINED PERSON WITH MUCH MORALE.
ISN'T IT?
THANK YOU.

I AM SUPRISED.
TO LIE TO OTHERS WITH SUCH A SMILING FACE...
YEAH! IT'S INTERESTING, ISN'T IT?
BUT, TO HIM, ARE THERE ANY DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ONE SHARD AND THE WHOLE MASK?
IN HIS CASE
WHEN THE SHARD IS ABSORBED TO BECOME ORIGINALLY WORE MASK, THE MASK OF DECEPTION IS GETTING STRONGER
CERTAINLY
I CAN SEE HE IS MORE WICKED COMPARED TO THE FIRST TIME I SAW HIM.
BE CAREFUL
AS TIME PASSED, THE DEGREE OF DEPENDENCE IS GETTING HIGHER CORRESPONDINGLY, IT'S DIFFICULT TO RETRIEVE.
HOW TO RETRIEVE THE SHARD?

"[illegible]" IS NOT ONLY A WAY TO [illegible] IT PHYSICALLY
THE DIRECTION OF EMOTIONAL ATTRACTION OF THE HOST IS ABSOLUTELY STRON[illegible]
IF IT IS TAKEN OFF BY UNREASONABLE FORCE, JUST LIKE YOUR BROTHER, HIS PERSONALITY WILL BE DESTROYED.
I DON'T [illegible] IT FACTUALLY
IT'S THE MOMENT THAT YOU CAN SEE THE REAL FACE.
YOU CAN ALSO CALL IT THE MOMENT WHEN THE TRUE NATURE IS EXPOSED
THE BEST MEASURE IS DIRECT CONVEYANCE BY THE PERSON HIMSELF
IF YOU CAN'T HAVE THAT, YOU HAVE TO RETRIEVE IT THROUGH THE LOOSEN LOVE OF THE MASK
LOOSEN LOVE?
THE REAL FACE...
CERTAINLY, THERE ARE MANY THINGS YOU DON'T WANT TO SPILL YOUR GUTS ABOUT
THE BRIGHT SOCIAL CHARAC-TER
AND YET, THERE'S VIOLENCE BELOW
HE EVEN HAS MANY FRIENDS
DENIAL OF THE ABSOLUTE ASSAULT BECAUSE OF THE PERSON HIMSELF

AND THEN, THAT LEAKED SMILE AT TENSION MOMENTS
"A BETTER SOMEONE OTHER THAN A CONSTRAINED PERSON WITH MUCH MORALE..."
YOUNG MASTER!~♡
YOUNG MASTER!~♡
.....

HUH? IT'S TEA TIME?
TODAY, FOR RELAXATION, I'VE BLENT SWEET FLAVOUR INTO EARL GREY
THE WORK DOING FOR ME...
YOU CAN ADD COLD MILK TO BETTER SUIT YOUR LIKING.
CLANK
CLANK
TA-DA!
YOUNG MASTER HAKUTO!
IT'S TEA TIME!
AH-。
THE HIGHEST TEMPERATURE
YOUN-
YOUNG MASTER !!!
THE TEMPERATURE IS FINE
IT'S INEXCUSABLE BUT I'M SORRY! IT'S INEXCUSABLE BUT I'M SORRY!
IMMEDIATELY, HOSPITAL ARRANGEMENTS, A NEW CHANGE OF CLOTHES, ANOTHER CUP OF TEA, AND I'LL...
AH, AFTER THAT, A NEW BUTLER, PLEASE.
NYAAAAA!
LANDED
h...
h...

YOUNG MASTEEEER !!!
LUCKY THE CUP DIDN'T BREAK.
JUST KIDDING.
AS ALWAYS, I KNOW IT WASN'T ON PURPOSE
ON PURPOSE?
SFX: STARTLED
KYA!
KYAA!
NEKOGAMINE
どんっ!!
HOLD A TEA PARTY TOMORROW.

NEZU MIZUIRO
KYA... AND...
INVITE A GUEST...
PREPARE THE TOP CLASS ENTERTAINMENT
I WON'T ALLOW ANY FAILURE!
END OF CHAPTER

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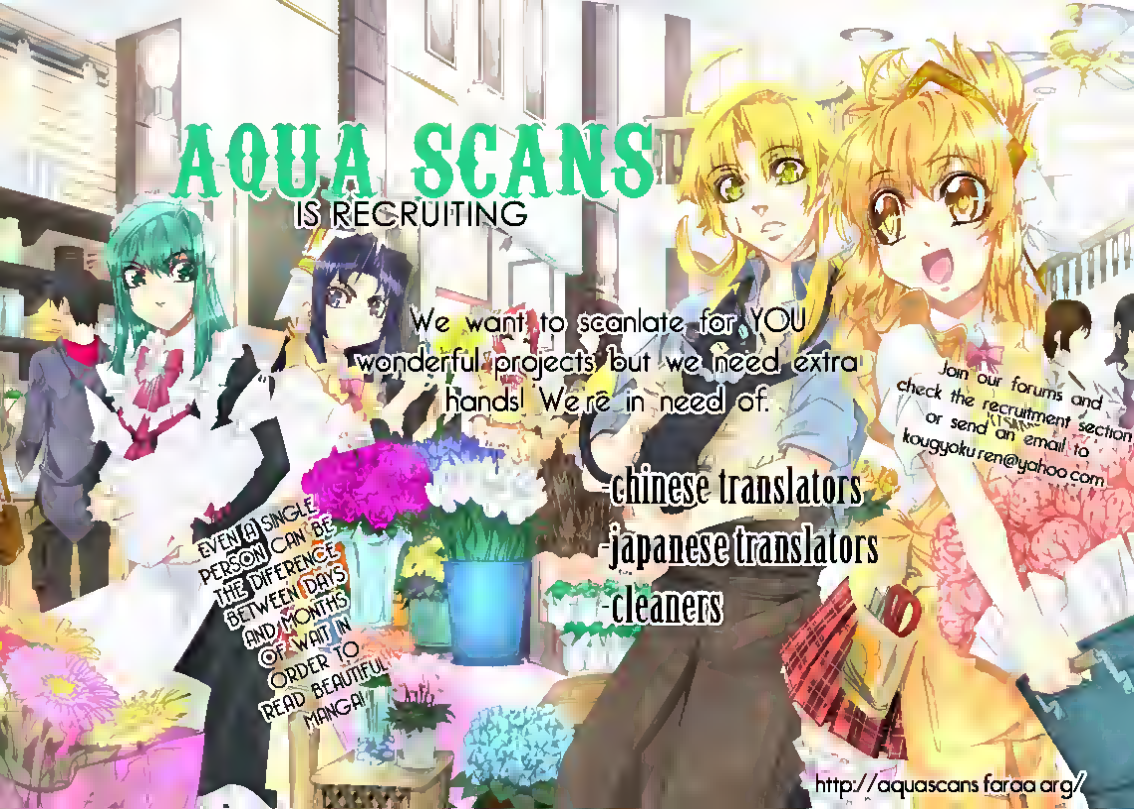
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